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Art Unit 1647

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/712,142; Filed: November 15, 2000
For: **Connective Tissue Growth Factor-3**
Inventors: Ebner *et al.*
Our Ref: 1488.0630002/EKS/KRM

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1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
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3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, along with Exhibit A;
4. Statement Concerning the ATCC Deposit (ATCC receipt attached);
5. Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
6. Listing of the cited documents on Form PTO-1449 (2 sheets);
7. A copy of each of the six (6) cited documents on Form PTO-1449;
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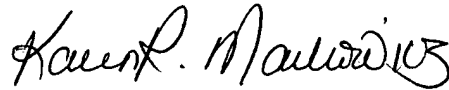
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Respectfully submitted,

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| Application Number | 09/712,142 |
| Filing Date | November 15, 2000 |
| First Named Inventor | Reinhard Ebner |
| Examiner Name | Romeo, D. |
| Group Art Unit | 1647 |
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Large Entity Small Entity

| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| 1001 | 750 | 2001 | 375 | Utility filing fee | |
| 1002 | 330 | 2002 | 165 | Design filing fee | |
| 1003 | 520 | 2003 | 260 | Plant filing fee | |
| 1004 | 750 | 2004 | 375 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 1105 | 160 | 2005 | 80 | Provisional filing fee | |

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

| Extra | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Total Claims 45 - 23** = 22 | X 18 | = 396.00 |
| Indep. Claims 4 - 6** = 0 | X 84 | = 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent | | = |

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|---|
| 1202 | 2202 | 18 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 | 2201 | 84 | 42 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 | 2203 | 280 | 140 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 | 2204 | 84 | 42 | **Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 | 2205 | 18 | 9 | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 396.00

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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| 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 1502 | 50 | 2052 | 25 | Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination | |
| 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | 110.00 |
| 1252 | 410 | 2252 | 205 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 | 930 | 2253 | 465 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1254 | 1,450 | 2254 | 725 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1255 | 1,970 | 2255 | 985 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1401 | 320 | 2401 | 160 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1402 | 320 | 2402 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 | 280 | 2403 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 1453 | 1,300 | 2453 | 650 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 1501 | 1,300 | 2501 | 650 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 1502 | 470 | 2502 | 235 | Design issue fee | |
| 1503 | 630 | 2503 | 315 | Plant issue fee | |
| 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) | |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | 180.00 |
| 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 1809 | 750 | 2809 | 375 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 1810 | 750 | 2810 | 375 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
| 1801 | 750 | 2801 | 375 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |

Other fee (specify) _____

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) 290.00**SUBMITTED BY**

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